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**FISCAL IMPACT STATEMENT**

**LS 6520**

**BILL NUMBER:** HB 1082

**NOTE PREPARED:** Feb 25, 2004

**BILL AMENDED:** Jan 26, 2004

**SUBJECT:** Missing Children Clearinghouse.

**FIRST AUTHOR:** Rep. Ayres

**FIRST SPONSOR:** Sen. Landske

**BILL STATUS:** As Passed Senate

**FUNDS AFFECTED:** X GENERAL  
X DEDICATED  
FEDERAL

**IMPACT:** State & Local

**Summary of Legislation:** This bill requires a review of entries in the Missing Children Clearinghouse within 60 days after the review required by laws governing reports made to the National Crime Information Center (NCIC).

**Effective Date:** July 1, 2004.

**Explanation of State Expenditures:** Local law enforcement agencies are currently required to report missing children to both the National Crime Information Center (NCIC) and the Indiana Missing Children Clearinghouse. Furthermore, the NCIC requires a review of the entry within 60 to 90 days of its reporting.

*Indiana State Police:* This bill would require law enforcement agencies to review Clearinghouse entries 60 days after the NCIC review is completed. The Clearinghouse is overseen by the Indiana State Police (ISP). The ISP reports that this bill would not increase expenditures.

**Explanation of State Revenues:**

**Explanation of Local Expenditures:** *Local Law Enforcement Agencies:* An average of 12,000 children are entered into the Clearinghouse annually. The ISP reports that the majority of these children remain in the Clearinghouse for fewer than 60 days. There are approximately 700 children in the Clearinghouse currently. This represents approximately 8 children per county necessitating an additional review. Historical data is, however, unavailable, thus, the accuracy of this estimate is unknown. Local law enforcement agencies should be able to incorporate the requirements of this bill into current staff workloads; expenditures for the agencies should not increase.

**Explanation of Local Revenues:**

**State Agencies Affected:** Indiana State Police.

**Local Agencies Affected:** Local law enforcement agencies.

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